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AMENDMENT "A" AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICIAL ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final official action dated May 18, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as set forth herein.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.